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MAY IS ACTION MONTH

The month of May 1976 is scheduled to be one of the most active for the Virginia Air National Guard in its twenty-eight plus years of existence. First of all, there are two (2) weekend assemblies scheduled, secondly there is "Exercise Solid Shield", and thirdly May will probably be our last chance to get our "Houses In Order" before Federal Inspection.

A full-blown Practice Operational Readiness Inspection, with mobility exercise, etc., is scheduled for 1 and 2 May 1976. Starting time is 0700 hours, repeat 0700 hours, on each of these days and attendance is MANDATORY! NOTE: Many mobility numbers have been changed. Check yours!

Exercise "Solid Shield" is a Joint Services Operation, and this will be the third successive year

of participation for the 192d Tactical Fighter Group. This year, we will be sharing our responsibility with the 108th Tactical Fighter Group. Approximately thirty (30) officers and sixty (60) airmen of the New Jersey Air National Guard will be operating, here at Byrd Field, with us, during this exercise, 12 through 27 May 1976. And sharing is the word! We will be sharing ramp space, office space, vehicles, shop space, etc. Let's show these Yankees some real Southern Hospitality.

The 15 and 16 May 76 UTA is a make-up for April for all units except the Civil Engineering Flight which had training 3 and 4 April 76. All fire fighters should attend the 15 and 16 May UTA. This UTA will be in the middle of "Solid Shield", should be crowded and con-

fusing, and it will probably be your last chance to "get ready" for the Inspection.

This "Vanguard" will be the only newspaper published for May and this will be the only mailing for the month. Also inclosed is SO Al78-Va with a new schedule complete through June 1977. Keep this!

The 192d Communications Flight will have Annual Field Training at Shaw AFB, S.C., 5 through 19 June 76. The June 76 UTA for the Comm Flt will be 26 and 27 June 76.

Annual Field Training for the 192d Civil Engineering Flight will be held at the State Military Reservation, Virginia Beach, Virginia, 4-18 Jume 76. They will return to Byrd Field for the 19 and 20 Jume UTA.

MOBILITY EXERCISE

A mobility exercise will be conducted on 1 May 1976 (Saturday UTA). Exercise start hour (X-hour) is 0700. Squadron/Flight Mobility Work Unit, Officers and NCOs will attend concept briefing at 0715 in the Mess Hall. Mobility work units will commence functioning and continue, fully manned, until the exercise is terminated. Requests for waivers and simulations will not be considered unless presented in writing. Uniform for exercise will be fatigues and/or flight suits for individuals processing. A critique of the exercise will be conducted on 2 May 1976 in the Mess Hall at 1500 hours. NOTE: All mobility committed personnel will process with a duffel bag, suitcase or B-4 type bag.

EXTRA MONTHS TO USE LEAVE

Armed Forces members will get three extra months in fiscal year 1977 to use any accrued leave, due to an unusual situation caused by a change in fiscal year dates.

The 1974 Budget and Impoundment Act changed the fiscal year, effec-

CUSTOMER SERVICE CENTER

If you change your address, the CBPO needs to know as a great deal depends on us having a current address for each member of the unit. For example, we need to know where to send you that monthly UTA check. The CSC will accept all changes of address. Let the CSC help you.

tive in FY '77. With the change, FY '76 ends June 30, 1976 but FY '77 does not begin until October 1, 1976. This leaves the months of July, August and September as a transition period--labelled 197T.

Persons with more than 60 days accrued leave as of June 30, 1976 will lose the excess. However, the following three-month transition period will benefit Servicemembers because they will have 15 months instead of 12 before the end of the next fiscal year--September 30, 1977.

The extra three months of grace will happen only one time. However, the new fiscal year make-up will allow Servicemembers to take leave during the months of July through September 1977 without having to worry about losing it because it was not taken by June 30, 1977.

GUARD/RESERVE MAY JOIN SPECIAL TEAM

All Guard and Reserve component officers of the five Armed Services (Army, Navy, Marine Corps, Air Force, Coast Guard) are eligible to compete for membership in one of the six 3-man teams the United States will enter in the military field competition to be held in Copenhagen, Denmark, Aug 3-13, 1976. The competition will be held in conjunction with the 29th Annual Congress of the Interallied Confederation of Reserve Officers (CIOR).

Pentathlon-type competition will be in shooting (pistol, rifle, and submachine gun), obstacle courses (running and swimming), military orienteering (land navigation using map and compass), and a combined military skills event.

There is also an opportunity for two enlisted administrative specialists to support the CIOR team.

Training will begin at Fort Meade, Md., on July 5, 1976, with a maximum of 50 officers. The deadline for applications is May 10, 1976.

For information about requirements and application materials, contact Captain Roger Harvey at Headquarters, Department of the Army. The telephone numbers are (Washington, D.C.) 202-695-3685 or 202-695-3662.

PERSONNEL CHANGES

The following personnel were enlisted into the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of April. Those identified with (1) are prior service; those with (2) are non-prior service and those with (3) transferred from other states. WELCOME Y'ALL! GLAD HAVE YOU.

192D CAMRON AB ELLIS, WILLIAM H. JR. (2)

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON (1)AIC HARRISON, ALBERT L.

192D COMMUNICATIONS FLIGHT (3)SSG OWEN, JACK D.

The following personnel discharged from the Virginia Air National Guard during the month of April.

192D MOBILITY SUPPORT FLIGHT AB ROBERTS, WILLIAM E.

192D CAMRON TSG SPROUSE, GENE L. SSG CLARK, RALPH A.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON AB WEBB, JERRY L.

Our congratulations go to the following personnel who were promoted to the grades indicated during the month of March.

HQ, 192D TACTICAL FIGHTER GROUP LTC FLEMING, JAMES H.

192D MOBILITY SUPPORT FLIGHT SGT GREGORY, CHARLES E.

192D COMBAT SUPPORT SQUADRON SSGT HUBAND, RICHARD W.

192D CAMRON TSG EASTER, ABRAHAM B. JR.

TSG GAZZAWAY, GARY R. SSG BURRELL, LLOYD O.

SSG NAHLIK, WENCESLAUS J. SSG PRICE, WAYLON E.

SGT LOVING, DAVID T.

SGT OSBORNE, CLYDE L.

A1C VICK, RONALD A.

The following personnel were demoted to the grades indicated during the month of March.

192D CAMRON AB HUSK, NOYES G.

192D CIVIL ENGINEERING FLIGHT AB PATTERSON, REGINALD E.

1920 KHAPONS SYSTEMS SECURITY FLT AMN BYLERS, RICHARD D.

CPT JOHN C. LEECH was transferred from the 149th Tactical Fighter Squadron to Headquarters, 192d Tactical Fighter Group, during the month of April.

FILING TRAVEL VOUCHERS

Each individual is furnished five (5) copies of orders placing When filhim/her on active duty. ing travel vouchers, you will need three (3) copies of these orders. Due to the overall emphasis that is being placed on the reduction of paperwork, effective this date, extra copies will not be furnished the individual and copies will not reproduced on the copying machine to be used to file travel vouchers. Bring your orders with

SAFETY

HAZARD REPORTING

The USAF Hazard Reporting System is established by AFR 127-6 to provide a simplified and effective means for any individual to alert responsible personnel to an existing or potentially hazardous condition that requires attention and corrective action.

AF Forms 457 are located in convenient areas throughout the unit and are available for anyone's use. Regarding the Hazard Report, keep the following in mind:

WHAT: A procedure for reporting any condition, act or circumstance that may be hazardous to persons, systems, facilities or equipment.

Submit one anytime you WHEN: feel a hazard exists.

You can submit one. WHO:

To get the hazard removed. WHY: Through your supervisor to HOW: the Chief of Safety. If that is not feasible, send the AF Form 457 directly to the Chief of Safety.

AF Forms 457 may be submitted anonymously; but if you sign the Hazard Report, we will send YOU an Most Hazard Reports are answer. processed at unit level and only those that cannot be corrected locally ever leave the base. The intent is to identify and correct hazards before an accident occurs -ACCIDENT PREVENTION!

Through the Hazard Reporting System, every individual in our unit can be a safety inspector.

CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

OPPORTUNITIES AND DISCIPLINE

Christian living is a sequence of opportunities: opportunities to learn, to grow, to improve, to work with others, to help others, to assist people, organizations, communities and the whole wide world. But because opportunities privileges entail responsibility and discipline, we let apathy, indulgence and complacency dominate

In order to grasp opportunities one must accept and practice personal and social discipline. And discipline which is corrective and challenging, is part of our Christian call. This discipline, backed by Christian love, keeps us responsible, caring, sensitive, understanding.

This personal commitment and discipline brings our sense of responsibility into focus in public service. As supporter of our civil structure our attitude is not to be either of hostility or benign neglect. Rather it is one of disciplinary involvement and constructive criticism. We have a redemptive role to play in our society. Things are to be better if we discipline ourselves to initiate, to support, to correct, and to improve. And as Christians, as we find ourselves involved in the many areas of our everyday living, be it our Church, or civic association, or profession, or family, or our Air Guard Unity, it is our responsibility to make each and every opportunity count for the betterment of our group. It will take discipline but it will promote success. It is the solid exercise of personal and social discipline that will turn all opportunities into realities that make for a better day.

CHAPEL ACTIVITIES

Worship Services

General Protestant Services SUNDAY, 1300 Hours

Latter Days Saints (Mormom) SUNDAY, 1500 Hours

Come and worship with us.

HUMAN RELATIONS

KNOW YOUR HUMAN RELATIONS COUNCIL

The 192d Human Relations Council is comprised of members from major working sections of the group, whose main purpose is to offer your feedback to the Commander on Equal Opportunity problems, either real or imagined.

The Council meets as often as necessary, but not less than quarterly and is chaired by the Group Commander. The authority for establishing and the composition of the Council is found in AFR 30-1, Section B. Personnel are selected at random by grade and duty section as directed by AFR 30-1.

Each Council member is encouraged to act as a sounding board, within the unit, for the commander, in order to preclude those small developing problems from becoming large problems.

Remember, Human Relations and Equal Opportunity is everyones business. The Council members are merely your direct line to the Commander

The following is a list of members assigned to the Council.

192TFG STEPHEN H. GATES HARRY C. HATCHETT

149th TFS NUMA R. LEE SHIRLEY I. RAGLAND JAMES L. WHITEHURST

Hq, VaANG CHARLES A. WALKER

192 CSS RICHARD W. HUBAND GEORGE A. LIGON LOUIE H. PEARMAN DOROTHY M. TATEM

192 CE F1t DONALD P. HARMAN

192 MSF WILLIAM D. TUCK

192 CAMRON CHARLES T. DUGGINS BRYANT K. HARVELL DAVID P. MCGHEE DONNIE A. MIDGETTE

192 COMM FLT LEONARD GLYWA

192 WSS DONALD A. STILLMAN



"The Human Relations Council was formulated to serve the members of the Virginia Air National Guard. The Council is a very viable one; however, this viability will only be sustained by your support. Therefore, any suggestions or feelings concerning the Guard should be made known to one of the Council members so that we may effectively voice your thoughts to those in the position to make a change. Remember . . . by allowing the Council to serve you, the working environment can be improved." SSG NUMA R. LEE (192 TAC Clinic/149th TFS Representative)



SECURITY

POLICE

I. SECURITY RESOLUTIONS - I WILL NOT ---

1. Leave classified information on desks or exposed elsewhere in unoccupied offices or rooms.

2. Discuss over the telephone the substance of classified information or attempt to "talk around" classified matter.

3. Discuss classified information with unauthorized persons.

4. Store classified information in key locked desk drawers or containers.

5. Write safe combinations on paper, desk pad, calendar pads, etc. (I will memorize it.)
6. Throw classified waste in

6. Throw classified waste in waste receptacles. (I will store it in safes until properly destroyed.)

7. Include classified information in personal correspondence.

8. Allow unauthorized personnel in restricted areas.

9. Assume a safe is locked. (I will make sure.)

10. Release classified information unless positively sure of identity, access authorization and official need of requester.

II. RECORDING ACCESS AUTHORIZATION:

All personnel that have a security clearance must have AF Form 2585 on file, reference AFR 205-32, para 4-3 and TAC Sup 1 thereto. AF Form 2583 must be completed prior to accomplishing AF Form 2585. All commanders are encouraged to insure that the above forms are complete on all assigned personnel. This will be a Special Interest Item during the next ORI.

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In 1776 the Continental Congress authorized General George Washington to raise an army and create its uniform. The Congress also established a Marine Committee to manage all seaborne military affairs, including uniforms for officers of 'the United States Navy. In those early days, however, there was little uniformity in American military dress, especially in enlisted men's uniforms.

The colonial Army uniform which General Washington modeled after the British military dress, in blue rather than red, was not totally satisfactory. Many soldiers claimed that the stiff-collared coat hindered normal breathing and that the tails of the coat snagged during forest fighting. Moreover, they felt that the tri-cornered hat offered too little protection from the sun and rain. Thus, the Revolutionary Army included men in buckskins and combinations civilian clothing.

The early Navy uniform also met with controversy, and in 1777 a group of Navy captains in Boston drafted a proposal for changing Navy officers' uniforms. Material shortages also prevented numbers of officers from obtaining the

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American uniforms have undergone many unique changes. Union forces (left) in 1861 had units which wore a uniform with a Zouave look. A year later, the Confederates followed suit (right). The Zouave design came from a French uniform which was adopted from an Algerian uniform.

authorized uniform, and many wore whatever was available, whether or not it conformed to instructions. Sailors in 1776 wore petticoat trousers that came to the knees and could be tied. It wasn't until 1817 that the traditional bell-bottomed trousers came into being, along with the official enlisted men's brim hat, blue jacket, and red waistcoat.

As the Nation and the Services grew, more emphasis was placed on quality, appearance, and regulation of military uniforms. Subsequent wars, changing military operations, entry of women into military service, etc., have resulted in numerous uniform changes.

After 200 years of American military uniform history, the Services continue testing and evaluating the clothing needs of their personnel, changing uniforms as necessary, and thereby keeping American military men and women the best-dressed Armed Forces in the world.



YETS XSK:

Q—I did not complete my high school education before joining the Service in 1965. Will the VA charge me educational entitlement if I return to high school and get my diploma?

A—No. Veterans with basic entitlement to receive VA educational assistance may complete their high school education without charge against their basic entitlement and may receive educational allowance while enrolled.

Q—When is a veteran entitled to receive additional VA compensation payments for dependents?

A—The veteran's serviceconnected condition must be rated 50 per cent or more disabling.

Q—I was too old to take advantage of my GI Bill benefits. Can my children make use of these unused benefits?

A—Veterans cannot pass on their GI benefits to their children.

Q—I plan to buy a home with my GI loan. At this time my income might not be enough to entitle me to the amount of loan I would like to obtain. Will my wife's income be considered also?

A—The VA now gives full recognition to income of both veteran and spouse in determining ability to repay the loan.

Q—I am a widow of a veteran and a veteran in my own right. Can I receive a veteran's pension and a widow's pension at the same time?

A—Yes, assuming you qualify for both.

Q—Are all veterans eligible for a nonservice-connected disability pension?

A—No. Only veterans with 90 days or more honorable wartime service who are permanently and totally disabled from reasons not traceable to service are eligible.

Q—How long does a veteran have to use GI home loan entitlement?

A—Loan entitlement is no longer subject to an expiration date.